

REQUIRED AND ALTERNATIVE VISION SCREENING TOOLS FOR WASHINGTON STATE SCHOOLS

CHAPTER 246-760-071 WAC

PURPOSE OF SCREENING	GRADE	SCREENING TOOLS	RESCREENING & REFERRAL CRITERIA
Distance Vision	Kindergarten	LEA vision test: Single LEA symbol (at 5 feet), or single HOTV letter	Visual acuity worse than 20/40 in either eye
Distance Vision	Grade 1	LEA vision test: Single LEA symbol (at 5 feet), or HOTV letter	Visual acuity worse than 20/32 in either eye
Distance Vision	Grades 2 and above	LEA vision tests: LEA symbols or numbers, or HOTV letters, or Sloan letter	Visual acuity worse than 20/32 in either eye
Near Vision Acuity	Kindergarten	LEA vision tests: LEA symbols near vision, HOTV, or Sloan letters	Visual acuity worse than 20/40 in either eye
Near Vision Acuity	Grade 1 and above	LEA vision tests: LEA symbols near vision, HOTV, or Sloan letters	Visual acuity worse than 20/32 in either eye

Instrument-based Screening:

Schools may use instrument-based vision screening devices (such as photo screening devices) in lieu of optotype charts. However, if the device does not generate a result for a student, a school must re-screen the student with an optotype chart outlined in WAC 246-760-071 (2).

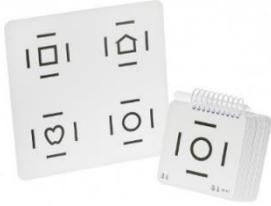
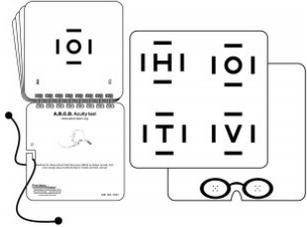
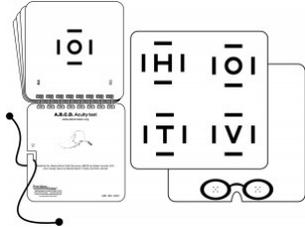
Resources:

American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPOS): <https://www.aapos.org/>

National Association of School Nurses (NASN): Vision and Eye Health: <https://www.nasn.org/nasn/nasn-resources/practice-topics/vision-health>

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI): [BULLETIN NO. 040-16 Visual Screening Requirements for School Districts \(8-19-16\) Tips for Appropriate Eye Chart Design](#)

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EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE OPTOTYPE DISTANCE VISION CHARTS		
Kindergarten		
<p>LEA symbols Single Optotype with crowding bars to 20/40</p> 	<p>HOTV letters Single Optotype with crowding bars</p> 	<p>Vision in Preschoolers VIP LEA symbols for 20/40</p> 
EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE OPTOTYPE DISTANCE VISION CHARTS		
First Grade		
<p>LEA symbols Single Optotype with crowding bars to 20/32</p> 	<p>HOTV letters Single Optotype with crowding bars</p> 	<p>Vision in Preschoolers VIP LEA symbols for 20/32</p> 

8/28/17/2017. This document was developed by the School Nurse Corps To assist School Nurses and Administrators in determining appropriate vision screening tools based on WAC 246-760-071. It is meant to provide examples of acceptable options and is not a comprehensive review of all available screening tools.

